

*South Jersey will receive nearly \$2 million in funds for other maintenance projects*

Washington, DC - Today, the White House released the final list of U.S. Army Corp projects that will be funded under the Recovery package. The list excludes beach replenishment projects, but funds nearly \$2 million for maintenance work across South Jersey and the shore area.

Congressman John Adler called the announcement disappointing, but expressed approval of the funds that will help maintain Barnegat Inlet and support a study of long term nourishment in New Jersey.

"During these tough economic times, it is disappointing that these important recovery funds will not be going towards beach replenishment projects, which are critical to our shore communities," Congressman Adler said. "But I am pleased to see nearly two million dollars directed to protect the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway and Barnegat Bay. I pledge to continue fighting for Ocean County and will work to ensure that our communities receive the funding needed to invest in our economy and protect our local shores."

South Jersey Army Corp projects that will receive Recovery funds:

- \$1,260,000 for maintenance dredging of the remaining critical shoal areas within the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway.
- \$350,000 for maintenance dredging to protect Barnegat Bay.
- \$300,000 will be used to prepare a regional/systems type study for the coast of New Jersey; develop a regional sediment budget and an improved understanding of regional coastal processes; and implement an efficient regional sediment management and monitoring program to reduce long term nourishment costs.

Since the Recovery package was signed into law, Congressman Adler has urged the Administration to fund beach replenishment projects in order to create jobs and help the Shore economy. In addition, Congressman Adler helped secure \$11.6 million for Fiscal Year 2009 for beach replenishment on Long Beach Island and requested \$20 million for the Fiscal Year 2010.

The letter Congressman Adler sent to White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

Director Peter Orszag on March 25 can be found [here](#).